

Buffalo Guard Station, Office (Bldg 1201)  
U.S. Highway 20/191 at Buffalo River  
Island Park  
Fremont County  
Idaho

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STATE Idaho	COUNTY Fremont	TOWN OR VICINITY Island Park
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Buffalo Guard Station Office (U.S.D.A., F.S., Targhee N.F. 7300 files)		HABS NO. ID-65-A
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Building 1201		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) U.S. Highway 20/191 at Buffalo River, Island Park, Fremont County, Idaho		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1936 (U.S.D.A., F.S., Targhee N.F. 7300 files)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps, using a standard Forest Service Region Four plan (R4-51), but with log siding rather than a specified siding type. It is thus associated with the Federal Depression recovery effort, representative of a method of (con't)		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Neo-Colonial		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Wood frame on a concrete foundation with full basement. Exterior walls covered with wood siding, interior walls of lath and plaster. Floors were wood.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular 40' X 16' one story with a full basement. Sketch and photographic reproductions of standard plans attached (ID-65-A-9 through 11).		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE "Shevlin" 2" X 8" log siding used in place of the 1" X 8" drop, bevel or novelty siding specified in the standard plan. Rear loading platform enclosed (see below). Group of three windows replaces the single window specified in the standard plan in the south (con't)		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Closet, basement stairs, entrance hall and toilet replace rear loading platform (ID-65-A-3 and 8).		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES 1966-1967: Metal roof substituted for original shingle roof, a metal shower and new sink were installed in the toilet, the front room was panelled, the passage from it to the back room was relocated, and the front room was converted to a kitchen/living room (ID-65-A-1 (con't)		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Last used as a year-round residence for Forest Service employees. Vacant since 1981 and in need of chimney repair, porch column replacement, new wall plaster in back room and new		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE Documentation compiled in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act and a Memorandum of Understanding with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. (con'td		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Included in Part III, attached. The building is a component of the Buffalo Ranger Station, determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION James A. McDonald, Targhee N.F.		DATE 10-18-84

Significance:

construction, but also locally unique because of the siding. The office originally served a seasonal Forest Guard engaged in fire suppression in the Island Park area.

Exterior Features:

office wall (ID-65-A-4 and 7).

Major Alterations and Additions:

and 6).

Present Condition:

floors throughout.

